

How to Recycle Cardboard

Recycling cardboard through the City of Sunnyvale Commercial Cardboard Recycling Program reduces costs and benefits the environment. Please follow the guidelines below to continue to qualify for your recycling service and to avoid additional disposal fees.

Accepted Material

Only clean, corrugated cardboard is accepted in the cardboard recycling bin. Tape, staples, and labels are OK.

Material Preparation

Boxes must be flattened before being placed into the bin. Boxes longer or wider than the recycling bin must be cut up to fit inside the bin.



at (408) 566-1804 with any service changes or questions.

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Unacceptable Material

The following materials are NOT ACCEPTED in the program:

- Wax-coated cardboard such as those often used for holding produce
- Cardboard contaminated with liquids such as cooking or motor oil
- Cardboard with polystyrene or foam attached
- Packaging materials such as polystyrene blocks, bubble wrap or "peanuts"
- Garbage, construction materials, wooden crates or any material other than clean, corrugated cardboard

If the cardboard recycling bin contains contamination, you will be notified. Numerous notices may result in a fee for dumping the material as garbage or the cancellation of your service.

